

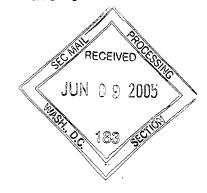


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31 May, 2005

Dear Sirs

Re: 12g3-2(b) Exemption for Anglo American plc Exemption number 82 - 97

Pursuant to the provisions of Rule 12g3-2(b) promulgated under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, we are hereby furnishing information that Anglo American plc has made public announcements relating to:

Directors' Interests dated 31 May 2005.

Yours faithfully For and on behalf of Anglo American plc

P Linda Norris Company Secretarial Assistant

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26 May 2005	159,300
27 May 2005	228,636

The Company was advised of these transactions on 27 May 2005.

The following directors, together with all employees, are potential beneficiaries of the Trust, and are therefore deemed to be technically interested, but the directors were not connected with the transactions that took place on the abovementioned dates.

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